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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Ensley Examiner: Moore, W.
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For: WOUND HEALING COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS USING
TROPOELASTIN AND LYSYL OXIDASE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 6, 2002 (Paper No. 14), Applicant respectfully requests entrance of the following Amendment and consideration of the following Remarks. The deadline for responding to the Office Action was November 6, 2002. A three-month extension of time from November 6, 2002, up to and including February 6, 2003, is hereby respectfully requested, and a check for such an extension is enclosed. Applicant thus submits that the present Response is timely submitted on February 6, 2003.

Amendment

In the claims:

Please amend the claims as indicated below. For the convenience of the Examiner, a copy of the complete set of pending claims, in the form that they will take after entrance of the present Amendment, is included herewith as Appendix A.

1. (Thrice amended) A method for promoting healing of a skin wound comprising steps of:

providing isolated tropoelastin substantially identical to wild type tropoelastin,
wherein the tropoelastin has not previously been cross-linked and is therefore available for cross-
linking, and isolated lysyl oxidase substantially identical to wild type lysyl oxidase separated
from each other; and